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Decompressing a Data Set Using )  
Significance Mapping )

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

This is a continuation of co-pending U.S. Patent Application 09/151,336 filed September 11, 1998. Please amend the subject continuation application, as follows: